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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN

To: Members of the staff

Subject: RESTRUCTURING OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT*

1. In the initial phase of the restructuring of the United Nations Secretariat, the following changes are made with effect from 1 March 1992.

Department of Political Affairs

2. The Department of Political Affairs incorporates the responsibilities of the following departments and offices: Office for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services; Office for Research and the Collection of Information; Department of Political and Security Council Affairs; Department for Special Political Questions, Regional Cooperation, Decolonization and Trusteeship; and Department for Disarmament Affairs.

Department of Peace-keeping Operations

3. A new Department of Peace-keeping Operations incorporates the responsibilities of the former Office of Special Political Affairs.

Department of Economic and Social Development

4. The Department of Economic and Social Development incorporates the responsibilities of the following departments and offices: Office of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Cooperation; Department of International Economic and Social Affairs; Department of Technical Cooperation for Development; Centre for Science and Technology for Development; and United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations.

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Department of Humanitarian Affairs

5. A new Department of Humanitarian Affairs coordinates the responsibilities of existing offices dealing with emergency relief activities.

Department of Administration and Management

6. The Department of Administration and Management incorporates the responsibilities of the former Department of Conference Services, which shall be designated as an Office.

Office of Legal Affairs

7. The Office of Legal Affairs incorporates the responsibilities of the Office for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea.

8. The present bulletin should be read in conjunction with Secretary-General's bulletin ST/SGB/249 of 16 March 1992 on changes in the top echelon.

9. Detailed statements of the organization and functions of the above departments and offices will be issued for incorporation in the Organization Manual (ST/SGB/Organization) in due course.

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